Application Requirements:

Before DNR's Dredged Material Management Program (DMMP) office will begin processing an application for a Site Use Authorization (SUA), the applicant must provide a COMPLETE application package. A typical application package includes a completed <u>Site Use Application</u>, and copies of all other agency permits required for dredging and dredged material disposal. DNR will not process an incomplete application package.

Typical dredging projects require the following permits:

- U.S. Army Corps of Engineers permit
- Washington Department of Ecology Water Quality Certification
- Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife Hydraulic Project Approval
- Endangered Species Act
 - o Biological Evaluation
 - o U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service concurrence letter
 - o National Marine Fisheries Service concurrence letter
- Shoreline Substantial Development Permit or exemption letter

Application packages must be sent to DNR's DMMP office:

Department of Natural Resources Aquatic Resources Division ATTN: Peter Leon, DMMP Manager 1111 Washington Street SE PO Box 47027 Olympia, WA 98504-7027

Once DNR's DMMP office receives a completed <u>Site Use Application</u> and all required permits, it will take approximately two weeks to process the application and produce an unsigned SUA.

The DMMP office will mail two copies of the SUA to the applicant along with an invoice for the application fee. The applicant must sign and date both copies as indicated, have these signatures notarized, and return them to DNR's DMMP office. Payment of all fees must be sent to the address provided on the invoice. Application fees are applied toward disposal fees.

After the applicant returns the signed and notarized documents, they must be signed by DNR. These documents will be retained in DNR's DMMP office until a completed Plan of Operation for Use of Open Water Disposal Sites (Attachment A of the SUA) is submitted. After this Plan is reviewed and accepted by DNR, the DMMP office will forward the signed Site Use Authorization to the applicant. This is typically handled at a pre-dredge meeting coordinated by the Army Corps of Engineers office in Seattle. The applicant can then begin using DNR's unconfined, openwater, dredged material disposal site.